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SURVEY REGARDING RURAL PEOPLE
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any survey on food, clothing and per capita income of people living in rural areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Union Government to implement the survey report?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DR. RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) to (c): The National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) of Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation conducts regular Consumer Expenditure Surveys as part of its `Rounds` and each Round is normally of one year which covers more than one subject of study. The latest Sample Survey on Household Consumer Expenditure was conducted through the 61st Round of NSS covering the period July, 2004 to June, 2005. The data collected through the Sample Survey of Consumer Expenditure also includes expenditure on food and clothing. The details of the Sample Survey on Consumer Expenditure are available in the NSS Report No.508-Level and Pattern of Consumer Expenditure, 2004-05. The Sample Survey conducted by the NSSO through the 59th Round (January to December, 2003) includes the information on monthly income (excluding rent, interest, dividend etc.) per farmer household which has been published in Report NO.497 of NSS. The data contained in the Survey Reports is used for estimation of poverty in the country and other policy formulations of the Government.